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Project Mission

The mission of the Violence Against Women Education Project is to enhance the court's response to domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking issues through the following activities:

- Identify primary educational and information needs of the courts on domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking issues;
- Initiate new and enhance existing judicial branch educational programming pertaining to domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking, including the delivery of regional training events;
- Develop and compile useful information for the courts on domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking issues that relates specifically to California law;
- Institutionalize inclusion of domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking issues in all relevant judicial branch education curricula, programs, and publications;
- Create incentives designed to increase attendance and participation in judicial branch education relating to domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking;
- Increase communication among courts regarding emerging promising practices for responding to cases involving domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking;
- Provide jurisdiction-specific technical assistance on domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking issues of the greatest import to local courts; and
- Create educational tools that aid in the administration of justice for self-represented litigants in domestic violence cases.

Education in Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Cases: A Critical Need

Many California judicial officers, whether they hear criminal cases, civil proceedings, juvenile dependency cases alleging violence, or family law cases involving contested divorce and custody arrangements, are at some point likely to encounter issues related to domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking. These types of cases represent a departure from others since they arise in a variety of court contexts and departments. Judges in any assignment can benefit from a working knowledge of the unique issues that these cases pose, while judicial officers presiding over specialized courts (such as domestic violence or Domestic Violence Prevention Act courts) need continuing, relevant, and advanced information and resources.

Other court professionals play a critical role in ensuring access to the courts for the parties in these cases. From the counter clerk who may be the first representative of the court system to assist a victim of domestic violence, to the bailiff in the courtroom who performs crucial safety functions, to the document examiner who ensures that legal requirements are met—all work together to assist in administering of these cases. Each court professional needs essential job-related information, an understanding of the law and procedure underlying these cases, a grounding in the basic principles of public service and safety, and information about how to reduce the stress of functioning in this difficult area.

Thus, ongoing and pertinent education for judicial officers and other judicial branch professionals is critically important to the fair and efficient administration of justice in these important cases. The Violence Against Women Education Project (VAWEP) is an initiative designed to meet this need. VAWEP is a

project of the Administrative Office of the Courts' (AOC) Center for Families, Children & the Courts (CFCC). VAWEP provides to the courts information, educational materials, and training on the role of the courts in responding to domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking cases in family, civil, criminal, and juvenile courts in California. VAWEP also assists local courts in developing education, policy, and promising practices. VAWEP continually assesses the greatest information and training needs of the courts and designs programs that are responsive to those needs.

FUNDING INFORMATION

This was the second year of the VAWEP initiative. The project is funded by the Governor's Office of Homeland Security/Office of Emergency Services (OHS/OES) with resources from the federal Office on Violence Against Women's (OVW) STOP (Services • Training • Officers • Prosecutors) grant program (See Appendix A of this report for a description of the STOP purpose areas.)

Each state is required to allocate 5 percent of its annual STOP grant funding to support the courts in creating a more effective response to domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking cases. To this end, VAWEP received \$582,208 (for the period from October 2003 through September 2004) in funding from OVW and OES that allowed the AOC to continue and enhance its efforts to educate and inform judicial officers and court staff about domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking issues.

Review of VAWEP Activities: October 1, 2003–September 30, 2004

In an effort to meet the project's goals and comply with the program purpose areas set forth by the Office on Violence Against Women, the VAWEP project undertook activities in two major areas: the delivery of educational events and the development of teaching materials and publications. A brief summary of each of these activities is provided in the following pages.

EDUCATIONAL EVENTS

Since the project's inception, more than 2,000 individuals (including judicial officers, court staff, attorneys, mental health providers, and advocates) have participated in VAWEP-sponsored training events and forums.

Domestic Violence, Sexual Assault, and Stalking Programs, Continuing Judicial Studies Programs (CJSP)
(January–August 2004) Five day-long courses were offered as part of the Continuing Judicial Studies Program series.

The first course, on sexual assault issues, was offered at the January 2004 CJSP program. The course was designed as a basic overview for judges with limited experience in these cases. Educational topics included an introduction to sexual assault cases, voir dire and jury issues, the role of expert witnesses, special protections for victims, and prior bad acts and other special evidentiary issues. Twenty-three judges (primarily criminal court judges) attended this training session and provided the following feedback:

"The course was excellent. We need one-day courses to cover a particular area of law."

"The discussions about jury selection and evidence codes were excellent."

"The subject matter presentation was excellent. The materials that were provided to us will be a great resource on the bench."

Two courses on domestic violence-related issues were held at the April 2004 Spring Education Week program. The first, on Advanced Custody and Domestic Violence issues, drew 41 participants. It focused on issues of differential assessment of domestic violence, outcomes for children exposed to domestic violence, the co-occurrence of mental health and substance abuse issues with domestic violence, and the interrelationship of substance abuse and domestic violence. Participants noted the following comments on their evaluation forms:

"Great course, very helpful and concrete."

"Good balance of judicial instructors and faculty from other disciplines."

"[I appreciated the] psychologist's willingness to provide concrete information and express hard opinions, the use of understandable concepts, and the legal faculty's reference to statutes."

The second program, on Special Issues in Restraining Orders and Risk Assessment, had an enrollment of 36 judicial officers. Course topics included an overview of the law related to protective orders, technicalities of firearms restrictions and relinquishment in domestic violence cases, an introduction to risk assessment and lethality research and risk factors, and applying risk assessment to judicial decision making.

Participants noted the following comments on their evaluation forms:

"This was a real eye opener. You should do this more often and possibly offer it to the public."

"[Presenter's] lethality presentation was excellent and highly informative. I intend to apply the danger assessment analysis as I consider DVPA restraining orders."

"This course met all of my expectations. I will utilize this material. It will help me keep others safe."

Two courses were also held as part of the August 2004 Summer CJSP program. The first course was an advanced program for judicial officers on issues related to sexual assault cases. The agenda featured issues such as the impact of DNA on sexual assault cases, offender characteristics and risk assessment, managing the media in high-profile sexual assault cases, sentencing issues, and issues related to the postsentencing management of sexually violent predators and mentally disordered sex offenders. A total of 33 judicial officers attended this course. Feedback was extremely positive:

"Faculty were perfect!"

"I learned a lot from the presentation on offender characteristics, but all topics were outstanding."

"The course was right on point to my needs. Faculty had great knowledge and ability to communicate."

"The information on DNA was very interesting, but the whole day was great."

"Information presented by faculty on sentencing sex offenders was outstanding."

The second course, Immigration Issues in Domestic Violence Cases, had 19 participants. This program was the first of its kind to be offered on this subject at any Judicial Council-sponsored training event. The program focused on an overview of basic immigration issues, barriers affecting access to the courts for immigrant victims of domestic violence, myths relating to consequences of crimes, and immigration options for domestic violence victims (including information on the Violence Against Women Act (VAWA), Special Immigrant Juvenile Status (SIJS), and U-visas for victims of crimes). Judicial officers in attendance responded very favorably to this program:

"This course enhanced my knowledge of immigration consequences in criminal, domestic violence, and family cases."

"Issues of myths related to immigrants were intelligently and realistically addressed—thank you for a wonderful course."

"The emphasis on cultural issues was extremely helpful."

"The faculty have a great deal of knowledge and experience—they were excellent."

Regional Training on Sexual Assault Issues (May 2004) Nineteen judges from rural areas in 14 counties attended this one-day training, held in Redding as part of the Cow County Judges Institute for rural judges. Training topics included an introduction to sexual assault cases, voir dire and jury issues, the role of expert witnesses, special protections for victims, and prior bad acts and other special evidentiary issues. This training was extremely well received, particularly since many judges in attendance had received other training specifically about

sexual assault issues or the special considerations associated with these cases.¹

Broadcast for Court Employees (May 2004) More than 700 court employees viewed this hour-long broadcast that focused on protective orders in domestic violence cases. The broadcast served as both an introduction for clerical staff new to domestic violence cases and an update course for more experienced clerks. The broadcast covered the importance of the clerk's role in interacting with litigants in these cases and in processing the order, distinguishing among different types of applications for orders, identifying the requirements for various types of orders, and knowing the general characteristics of domestic violence, illustrated through a vignette. The broadcast was aired four times to provide ample opportunity for interested court staff to view it. Participant feedback was extremely positive and included these statements:

"I found all of this information very helpful. I went in knowing very little and now feel secure."

"The broadcast provided useful information on how to thoroughly review a restraining order and the guidelines for assisting a party to obtain a protective order."

"The statistical information provided about domestic violence cases was very helpful."

"It was helpful to understand the process from start to finish."

"I learned more about the filing process and now understand the difference between civil harassment and domestic violence."

Domestic Violence Judicial Institute

(June 2004) This judicial education program was based on a national interdisciplinary curriculum developed by the National Council of Juvenile and Family Court Judges and the Family Violence Prevention Fund. The 2½-day program included workshops on fact-finding, fairness and cultural issues in domestic violence cases, decision-making skills and enforcement, victim behavior, and perpetrator behavior. The program also included sessions designed to engage judicial officers in practical courtroom exercises addressing the complexity of domestic violence cases as well as specific issues facing California judicial officers. Institute participants gave the program excellent evaluations and particularly valued its interdisciplinary approach. A total of 32 judicial officers from 20 California counties attended the institute. The evaluations of the Domestic Violence Judicial Institute included the following comments from participants:

"The instructors were truly exceptional."

"The program was very well organized."

"The interactive portions of the program and the ability to [discuss issues] with other types of judges was wonderful."

"The discussions of dangerousness and how cultural stereotypes may or may not influence judicial decision making were most helpful."

"The segment on understanding victim and perpetrator behavior was excellent."

¹ No written comments were collected; only numerical evaluations were given and received.

Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault Courses, Judicial College (June 2004)

Courses on both domestic violence and sexual assault were delivered as part of the B. E. Witkin Judicial College of California, a nationally recognized program providing comprehensive education for all new superior court judges, commissioners, and referees. The courses provided information related to domestic violence awareness and the criminal court's response to sexual assault cases.

Fifty-one judges attended the sexual assault course and submitted positive evaluations and feedback that included the following remarks:

"This course was extremely helpful to new judges!"

"The faculty were experienced, had good materials, and were effective speakers."

"The detailed outlines and information presented on discovery issues were very helpful."

A total of 112 judicial officers attended the mandatory class on domestic violence awareness. The response from this course (offered twice during the college) was also quite positive:

"Information about how to make the courtroom more victim friendly was helpful."

"The faculty provided a fresh perspective on domestic violence issues."

"This was a great program that included specific suggestions on practical trial matters."

"The faculty showed a clear commitment to the topic and a passion for helping."

Enhancing the Judicial Response to Domestic Violence (July 2004) A group of 42 judicial officers, victims' advocates, family court professionals, attorneys, law

enforcement representatives, probation staff, mental health providers, court staff, and others convened to discuss enhancing the courts' response to domestic violence cases in Los Angeles County, which handles one-third of the state's court cases. The structured discussion allowed for community partners to contribute to the discussion about how best to strengthen the courts' response in these crucial cases. The forum also featured a presentation by the country's leading expert on lethality assessment in domestic violence cases. Participants found very beneficial both the substantive presentation and the opportunity to meet and discuss ideas as a group. This meeting led to the group's developing three areas to improve the local court's response to domestic violence cases:

1. To increase litigant and child safety in domestic violence and family law cases by increasing the resources for safe child exchanges and supervised visitations;
2. To increase the coordination and referral of victims and litigants to community based victim services; and
3. To improve and increase the communication and coordination between the different courts handling domestic violence cases (for example, family court, dependency court, and criminal court).

Forum on Sexual Assault Issues (July 2004) Twenty-six judicial officers, researchers, victims' advocates, attorneys, probation staff, sex offender treatment providers, and victim health care providers convened to discuss ways in which the California courts can enhance their response in sexual assault cases that come before them. The forum provided an opportunity for substantive experts to present their observations and to respond to questions posed by members of the VAWEP planning committee. Substantive presentations focused on issues of the overlap between domestic

violence and sexual assault; the need for judicial leadership in sexual assault cases; myths about sexual assault victims; special needs of different types of sexual assault victims (including elderly, Indian, and immigrant victims as well as victims with physical and mental disabilities); medical evidentiary issues; and sexual offender characteristics, treatment, and management. This multi-disciplinary forum, the first of its kind convened in California, will form the basis for a series of recommendations about how to improve the courts' response to these cases. One participant noted that "a coordinated and collaborative approach to this problem is our best hope of responding appropriately to these cases."

Family Violence and the Courts: 10th Anniversary Conference (September 2004) The Family Violence and the Courts: 10th Anniversary Conference was convened in September 2004 in San Francisco. Participating in this landmark event were 50 court teams consisting of a presiding or assistant presiding judge, a court executive officer, an additional judicial officer with expertise in domestic violence cases, the family court services directors or a senior-level staff member with extensive experience in domestic violence cases, and one community partner. The conference provided a process for assessing courts' responses to family violence; a method for courts to plan with community partners for enhancing their responses; and a forum for courts to learn about improving access, practice, procedure, and administration in domestic violence cases. In advance of the conference, each team was asked to convene a local meeting, bringing together various justice system professionals and community representatives. During these meetings, courts reflected on a series of topics designed to elicit feedback about domestic violence cases. Teams have committed to working on the specific issues from their

action planning meetings and will use this information to develop broad goals for improving their court's response to these cases. National and state experts as well as community group representatives served as faculty and facilitators for workshops designed to meet the needs of the courts. Courts have been asked to submit more detailed action plans; these specific local objectives will be published and will form a statewide strategic plan for enhancing the courts' response to domestic violence cases. The courts provided enthusiastic support for this conference. Participants noted:

"The sharing of ideas across counties was most helpful."

"There were many ideas presented about interesting programs at different courts."

"Overall, the conference was excellent!"

"This event was inspiring and informative for all team members, even those with little to no background in domestic violence cases."

"All aspects of this conference stayed focused on the conference objectives—well done!"

"This conference surpassed my expectations."

"I am leaving this conference fired up about getting back to work and continuing to make it happen—thank you!"

"The conference sent a strong message that everyone needs to get on board and make domestic violence a priority in every court."

"The presenters were very dynamic and engaging."

TEACHING MATERIALS AND PUBLICATIONS

Judges' Guide to Domestic Violence Cases (September 2004) This practical judges' handbook consists of the following component parts:

- California Protective Orders (Revised 2004)
- Emergency Protective Order (EPO) Quick Reference Guide
- Firearms and Full Faith and Credit
- Immigration and Domestic Violence
- Stalking

The five components of this guide have been consolidated into one volume for easy reference and accessibility. They can also be used separately and will be updated separately. Each component focuses on the information, case law, and statutes that judicial officers need to know in the relevant subject area. The guide has been published, distributed to all judicial officers, and posted on a Web site designed for judicial officers.

Course Outline and Teaching Guide on Sexual Assault Issues (September 2004)

The project has developed a course outline and teaching guide that addresses the complex issues of sexual assault cases. The outline is based in part on previously developed program materials and relevant national curricula adapted for a California audience. The guide will be distributed as needed to those who serve as faculty for programs that deal with sexual assault issues. It will be used for future statewide, regional, and local programs, including those delivered both to live audiences and via distance learning methods.

Annual Report and Fact Sheet

VAWEP has developed a project annual report and a basic project Fact Sheet that highlight key accomplishments and activities and that supply details about the project, its faculty, and staff. These documents are available on the California Judicial Branch Web site: www.courtinfo.ca.gov. More than 2,000 judicial officers in California will receive and have Web access to these documents.

GOALS FOR FUTURE FUNDING CYCLES

In anticipation of funding for future grant cycles, VAWEP has set the following goals for the 2004–2005 project year (subject to approval and available funding):

- Convene three meetings of the project's advisory committee;
- Conduct four programs at the Continuing Judicial Studies Program on issues of domestic violence and sexual assault;
- Conduct two workshops (on domestic violence and sexual assault) at the B. E. Witkin Judicial College of California;
- Develop and disseminate a project fact sheet and an annual report;
- Convene a Domestic Violence Judicial Institute;
- Convene four training workshops for rural judges on selected issues of domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking;
- Update, publish, distribute, and post online practical guides for judges addressing topics of protective orders, immigration and domestic violence, full faith and credit and firearms, and stalking;

- Publish, distribute, and post online a judicial benchbook on sexual assault;
- Develop and deliver a broadcast for court employees on domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking;
- Develop an interactive forms program to help self-represented litigants, advocates, and court staff prepare forms, declarations and orders in domestic violence cases;
- Provide for a speakers bureau or targeted local technical assistance to allow courts to receive information about topics most pertinent to them related to domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking;
- Sponsor four workshops on issues of domestic violence, sexual assault, or stalking at the 2005 statewide judicial education conference;
- Provide training for self-help center volunteers who assist victims of domestic violence as they prepare documentation for the court about their cases; and
- Publish statewide plans on enhancing responses to domestic violence that were developed by court teams as a result of the 2004 Family Violence Conference.

VAWEP staff will continue to assess the greatest training and educational needs of the California judiciary so that it can best meet the need for training and resources on the complex issues of domestic violence, sexual assault, and stalking that are currently facing the courts.

VAWEP FACULTY

More than 77 judicial officers, family law and criminal justice practitioners, researchers, victim advocates, and others have served as faculty for various VAWEP events. The project is extremely grateful to these individuals for sharing their expertise with others in an effort to educate judicial officers, court staff, and professionals in other disciplines about issues of domestic and sexual violence. The following is a comprehensive list of all those who assisted the project from October 2003 through September 2004.

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APPENDIX A

STOP GRANT PURPOSE AREAS

STOP formula grants are intended for use by states; state, local, and tribal courts; Indian tribal governments; units of local government; and nonprofit, nongovernmental victim services programs. Grants supported through this program must fall into one or more of the following statutory program purpose areas:

- Training law enforcement officers, judges, other court personnel, and prosecutors to more effectively identify and respond to violent crimes against women, including the crimes of sexual assault, domestic violence, and dating violence.
- Developing, training, or expanding units of law enforcement officers, judges, other court personnel, and prosecutors specifically targeting violent crimes against women, including the crimes of sexual assault and domestic violence.
- Developing and implementing more effective police, court, and prosecution policies, protocols, orders, and services specifically devoted to preventing, identifying, and responding to violent crimes against women, including the crimes of sexual assault and domestic violence.
- Developing, installing, or expanding data collection and communication systems, including computerized systems, linking police, prosecutors, and courts or for the purpose of identifying and tracking arrests, protection orders, violations of protection orders, prosecutions, and convictions for violent crimes against women, including the crimes of sexual assault and domestic violence.
- Developing, enlarging, or strengthening victim services programs, including sexual assault, domestic violence, and dating violence programs; developing or improving delivery of victim services to underserved populations; providing specialized domestic violence court advocates in courts where a significant number of protection orders are granted; and increasing reporting and reducing attrition rates for cases involving violent crimes against women, including crimes of sexual assault, domestic violence, and dating violence.
- Developing, enlarging, or strengthening programs addressing stalking.
- Developing, enlarging, or strengthening programs that address the needs and circumstances of Indian tribes dealing with violent crimes against women, including the crimes of sexual assault and domestic violence.
- Supporting formal and informal statewide, multidisciplinary efforts, to the extent not supported by state funds, to coordinate the response of state law enforcement agencies, prosecutors, courts, victim service agencies, and other state agencies and departments to violent crimes against women, including the crimes of sexual assault, domestic violence, and dating violence.
- Training of sexual assault forensic medical personnel examiners in the collection and preservation of evidence, analysis, prevention, and providing expert testimony and treatment of trauma related to sexual assault.
- Developing, enlarging, or strengthening programs to assist law enforcement, prosecutors, courts, and others to address the needs and circumstances of older and disabled women who are victims of sexual assault or domestic violence, including recognizing, investigating, and prosecuting instances of such assault or violence and targeting outreach and support, counseling, and other victim services to such older and disabled individuals.
- Providing assistance to victims of sexual assault and domestic violence in immigration matters.